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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, TW
SUBJECT: TAI YIN-WU

REF: (A) STATE 294530, (B) TAIPEI 7438

1. MOFA TODAY PROVIDED US WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
ON TAI YIN-WU: TAI WAS ARRESTED APRIL 4, 1976 ON CHARGES
OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITY AND TRIED IN AN OPEN MILITARY
COURT IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS LAWYER, WIFE AND DAUGHTER.
ON THE BASIS OF "HARD EVIDENCE" THAT HE JOINED THE CCP
IN 1929, AND IN 1963 WENT TO HONG KONG TO MEET COMMUNIST
AGENTS, HE WAS SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IN PRISON ON
JULY 20, 1977. HE APPEALED ON AUGUST 2, 1977. THE
SENTENCE WAS UPHELD SEPTEMBER 17, 1977.

2. MOFA SAID IT WOULD BE "HARD, ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE" TO
FURNISH US A COPY OF THE COURT VERDICT, SINCE THIS IS
GIVEN ONLY TO THE DEFENDANT AND NOT TO ANY THIRD PARTY.
TAI'S LAWYER WAS WU TE-HSIUNG (SECOND FLOOR, NO. 102,
KAI FANG STREET, SECTION 1, TAIPEI -- TELEPHONE
381-6120). DURING THE APPEAL, WU WAS JOINED BY ANOTHER
LAWYER, LIN HU-FANG (SECOND FLOOR, NO. 14, LANE 134,
HSIN YI ROAD, SECTION 3, TAIPEI).

3. TAI IS CURRENTLY IN GOOD HEALTH, ACCORDING TO MOFA.
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4. EMBASSY WILL TRY TO CONTACT TAI KANG-CHU FOR CON-
FIRMATION OF DETAILS ABOVE AND, IF MOFA REMAINS
UNRESPONSIVE TO OUR REQUEST FOR COURT VERDICT, WE WILL
ATTEMPT TO GET IT FROM THE LAWYER.
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